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Dear John + Pauline

Many thanks for your kind letter on the occasion of my forthcoming retirement. It has been a fascinating and rewarding thirty five years. I reached mandatory retirement age early this year but was extended by the Army. I wanted to wait until all of the investigations were over and they now are and I was untouched by them.

I do not yet know what I will do next. I am looking at several possibilities in government and in private business and have not yet made a definite decision. When I do I will let you know as I too greatly value our old friendship.

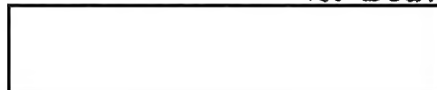
With every good wish to you

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Faithfully

Dick

Mr. & Mrs. John Q. Deaver



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